

# Progress Toward Peace Has Been Made, Says Cruppi

Wilson's Utterance One of  
Finest of War, Asserts  
Ex-Foreign Minister

France in Full Accord

Believes German People Are  
Beginning to Appreciate  
President as Leader

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PARIS, Jan. 12.—Jean Cruppi, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, thinks considerable progress toward peace has been made recently. President Wilson's recent declaration of war aims he considers the finest utterance of the war, and one which France can support with full accord.

I talked with him to-day about the economic and political situation in France and found him sincerely optimistic concerning the future.

France's morale, despite the hardships she is forced to bear and the disappointment over the affairs of Russia, he says, is now excellent. Like most Frenchmen, he is an American enthusiast and a great admirer of Wilson's statesmanship.

"I have just returned from a stay in Southern France," he said, "in a little town of 700 people, where forty-two soldiers have been killed, but I found the morale of the people perfect.

Determined to See War Through

They were firmly determined to see the war through to victory. The country people are simpler and more idealistic than those of the city. The help America already has given, the honesty of her motives and her determination appeal to them and make a strong impression. Their morale could not be better.

"Throughout France the economic situation is improving under better regulations, and there is naturally a political improvement.

"Clemenceau has the confidence of the people, and his energy in prosecuting the war is winning approval in and out of the Chamber of Deputies." M. Cruppi, who is a French conservative, became extremely enthusiastic when talking of the President's latest declaration of war aims. He said:

"The President has done good work for peace. We quite agree with his statement of terms. His references to the invaded districts of France and Alsace-Lorraine pleased us greatly.

Will Insist on Reparation  
"A satisfactory peace is possible until the enemy not only has withdrawn from France, but has made full reparation for damage done. There will be no lasting peace in Europe until France recovers the provinces which were wrested from us.

"Believe the German people are beginning to appreciate that the President is a firm leader who is determined to see right and justice in the world no matter what the cost.

"Perhaps when the time comes for the peace conference we shall have made some alterations, but the terms as outlined by the President certainly represent in general France's demands."

New Kaiser Letter  
Regales Germany

Document Used to Counteract  
Revelations in Telegrams  
to Former Czar

[Staff Correspondence]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The "North German Gazette," in connection with the revelations concerning telegrams exchanged between Emperor William and Czar Nicholas in 1904-05, publishes the following letter from the Kaiser to his Imperial Chancellor dated July 25, 1905, the day following the meeting of the two rulers at Björke, Finland, apparently to show to the German people that the revelations were one-sided:

"In regard to Norway, the Czar was very concerned. On learning that it was a matter of indifference to King Oscar, who may be his neighbor, and that the King had no objection to a republic, he threw his hands above his head, exclaiming, 'And that too! Well, that was the only thing that was lacking—this is the last straw as if we have not already sufficient republics in the world!'

"He was of the opinion that if no Swedish prince were to go there, and if Copenhagen were interested in the matter, Prince Waldemar might be sent, as he had some experience of life, had an elegant wife and beautiful, robust children. I agreed with him, but drew his attention to the fact that, according to private information from Copenhagen, the King of England possibly had already elected his son-in-law for the position.

"The Czar was very disagreeably surprised by this, and pretended to know nothing about it, and said he was of the opinion that his cousin was absolutely unsuitable for the post, as he had never been anywhere and had no experience of life, and that he was insolent. Waldemar would be far more suitable, as through Karl, English prince, means or foul, would point his finger toward Norway, gain influence, begin intrigues, and finally, by the occupation of Christiansand, would close the Skagerrak and shut us all out from the Baltic Sea."

"Denmark was much discussed during these conversations, the Czar expressing a wish that we should endeavor to find out if some means could not be arranged whereby we two could guarantee the stability of the country, in case of warlike complications, so that we could feel assured that in case of war the defence of the Baltic, north of the Belt, could be effected."

"A declaration of neutrality would be of no use, if thereby the Danes considered it right, according to their own opinion, to pilot enemy vessels directly into the Baltic before our ports. The enemy, in case he did not respect the neutrality of Denmark, which was to be assumed, owing to the weakness of the country, would lay hands on it, and if the neutral country were to be compelled to cooperate with the enemy, it would provide him with an excellent base for his operations, against our coast. Denmark is now only a Baltic state, and not a North Sea state."

"I could not subscribe to his view of the matter, but promised to consider it and endeavor to find out in Copenhagen what they thought of neutrality there."

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